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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office action of November 7, 2007, the undersigned submits the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 20 of this paper.